



MINUTES

SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Friday, February 7, 2020 | 7:59 a.m. | 30 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Allen M. Christensen, Senate Chair
Rep. Paul Ray, House Chair
Rep. Raymond P. Ward, House Vice Chair
Sen. Keith Grover
Sen. Daniel Hemmert
Rep. Steve R. Christiansen
Rep. Kim F. Coleman
Rep. Jennifer Dailey-Provost
Rep. Brad M. Daw
Rep. Sandra Hollins
Rep. Marsha Judkins
Rep. Adam Robertson

Rep. Norman K. Thurston

Members Absent:

President J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Todd Weiler

Staff Present:

An Bradshaw, Committee Secretary
Russell T. Frandsen, Finance Officer
Clare Tobin Lence, Finance Manager
Kimberly D. Madsen, Financial Analyst

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1 . Call to Order

Chair Christensen called the meeting to order at 8:22 a.m.

2 . Public Input on Topics on Today's Agenda

Hannah Raasch, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Dr. Kurt Rifleman, Midtown Community Health Center, spoke in support of funding for medical loan repayments.

Simon Stone, physician assistant, Uintah Basin Medical Center, spoke in support of the medical loan repayment program.

Dianne McNeill, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Kelsey Lewis, Executive Director, Kids Who Count, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Emily Tyler, physician assistant at Shriners's Hospital, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Nancy Miramontes, assistant clinical professor, Brigham Young University, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Jessica Paletta, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Jennifer Hamilton, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Yadira Morales, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Ana Strutt, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Darci Council, parent, spoke in support of funding for Baby Watch.

Robert Ence, Executive Director, Utah Commission of Aging, spoke in support of funding for Family Health and Preparedness.

Heidi Demarvco, Chair, Utah Association of Area Agencies on Aging, expressed concern for budget reduction options for Area Agencies on Aging.

3 . Review of Department of Health's Medicaid Sanctions Budget

[5-CMP Legislative Report Tracker](#)

Russell Frandsen, Finance Officer, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA), presented Review of Department of Health's (DOH) Medicaid Sanctions Budget and explained a possible motion.

4 . Requests for Appropriation - Health (agency only)

Russell Fransen explained alternative funding sources for Requests for Appropriation - Health.

[6a-DFHP Building Blocks FEB 2020](#)

[6b-FHP Itemized Budgets](#)

[6c-BW brochure](#)

[6d-Building Block Performance Measure Report funding in 2020 - FHP](#)

[6g-Early Intervention Services - Private Insurance by NCSL](#)

Rep. Dailey-Provost asked for information about billing private insurance and Russell Frandsen responded.

Rep. Judkins asked if there was a downside to billing private insurance and Curtis Burk, Assistant Director, Division of Family Health and Preparedness, DOH, responded.

Russell Frandsen continued the presentation.

Dr. Joe Miner, Executive Director, DOH, explained the department's request for funds.

Rep. Thurston asked what programs can be reduced if we invest in prevention and Dr. Joe Minor responded.

Rep. Judkins commented on underfunding special education programs.

Dr. Joe Miner continued.

Curtis Burk gave more information regarding funding requests for early intervention programs and Dr. Joe Miner continued.

Dr. Marc Babitz, Deputy Director, DOH, explained the difficulties and expenses of billing private insurance.

Rep. Ray asked for more information about billing private insurance and Dr. Marc Babitz responded.

Rep. Dailey-Provost commented on Rep. Ray's call for a study to assess the impact of using private insurance and Dr. Marc Babitz responded.

Dr. Joe Miner continued with the presentation.

Curtis Burk continued with the presentation.

Dr. Marc Babitz gave more information on the funding for medical debt.

Curtis Burk gave information on the request for funding the hearing aid program.

Rep. Judkins asked for additional information regarding funding requests. Dr. Marc Babitz and Russell Frandsen responded.

Curtis Burk continued with the presentation, focusing on maternal mental health support and nurse home visiting services.

Dr. Joe Miner and Chair Christensen discussed primary care grants.

5 . Follow Up on A Performance Audit of the Division of Family Health and Preparedness

Russell Frandsen gave the Follow Up on A Performance Audit of the Division of Family Health and Preparedness.

[7a-Issue Brief - 2020 General Session - A Performance Audit of the Division of Family Health and Preparedness](#)

[7b-LFA - OLAG - January 2020 Reporting](#)

[7c-FHP Strategic Plan 1-28-2019](#)

Rep. Ray asked about information on funding surveys and Curtis Burk responded.

6 . Department of Health's Family Health and Preparedness Base Budget

Russell Frandsen presented the Department of Health's Family Health and Preparedness Base Budget.

Curtis Burk and Dr. Joe Miner responded to the presentation.

Rep. Judkins asked about the childcare licensing fee and Curtis Burk, Joe Miner, Russell Frandsen, and Brandi Frandsen, FHP, responded.

Russell Frandsen continued with the presentation.

Lynne Nilson, Director, Bureau of Maternal and Child Health, DOH, spoke about a federal grant that allows DOH to expand its review of maternal mortality.

Russell Frandsen continued with the presentation and explained possible motions for the committee to consider.

Curtis Burk provided additional information about the proposed motions.

7 . Department of Health's Primary Care Workforce Financial Assistance Base Budget

8 . Department of Health's Rural Physicians Loan Repayment Assistance Base Budget

Russell Frandsen explained various agenda item motions and budget requests to the subcommittee.

9 . Department of Health's Local Health Departments Base Budget

Rep. Ray asked about ambulance providers covered in the budget.

Rep. Christiansen asked about funding and Curtis Burk and Russell Frandsen responded.

Curtis Burk discussed the one-time funding requests and Russell Frandsen continued with his presentation.

10 . DHS - Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) - Base Budget

[12b-DAAS - Purposes - 2020 GS](#)

Clare Tobin Lence, Finance Manager, LFA, presented the Department of Human Services (DHS) - Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) - Base Budget.

Nels Holmgren, Director, DAAS, provided additional information on the budget.

Clare Tobin Lence proceeded with the base budget discussion.

Nels Holmgren discussed federal funds for preventing elder abuse and exploitation.

Clare Tobin Lence continued with the presentation and explained motions for the subcommittee's consideration.

11 . DHS - Office of Public Guardian (OPG) - Base Budget

[13b-OPG - Purposes - 2020 GS](#)

Clare Tobin Lence presented the DHS - Office of Public Guardian (OPG) - Base Budget.

Xia Erickson, Director, OPG, explained the services and expenditures of the office.

Clare Tobin Lence continued with the presentation.

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to approve all the BE, BH, BF, BK, and BL motions from the sheet entitled "Social Services Subcommittee - Motions for Subcommittee Consideration" dated 1/27/2020. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 9.

Yeas-8

Sen. A. Christensen
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Coleman
Rep. B. Daw
Sen. K. Grover
Rep. M. Judkins
Rep. P. Ray
Rep. R. Ward

Nays-0

Absent-9

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. K. Cullimore
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hemmert
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Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston
Sen. T. Weiler

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to approve the following motions from the sheet entitled "Social Services Subcommittee - Motions for Subcommittee Consideration" dated 1/27/2020: All #CB. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 9.

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Clare Tobin Lence continued with the presentation and explained motions for the subcommittee to consider.

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to approve the following motions from the sheet entitled "Social Services Subcommittee - Motions for Subcommittee Consideration" dated 1/27/2020: All #CE except #CE3. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 9.

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Clare Tobin Lence continued with the explanation of motions for consideration and Xia Erickson gave additional information.

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to approve the following motion from the sheet entitled "Social Services Subcommittee - Motions for Subcommittee Consideration" dated 1/27/2020: #CE3, with the third measure as "Timeliness of processing open referrals in pending status (Target = 25% time reduction)" to be reported October 1, 2021. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 9.

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[15-Budget Reduction Options \(orange\) - Co-chair Proposal 2-6-20](#)

MOTION: Rep. Judkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 9.

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Chair Christensen adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.